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OF THE

CHICKASAW BAPTIST

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SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHICKASAW BAPTIST

HELD WITH

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

... AT ...

WALLERVILLE, MISSISSIPPI,

SEPTEMBER 11, 12 and 13.

1900.

OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,	.	REV. C. W. SMITH,	Darden, Miss.
TREASURER,	.	B. O. GARNER,	Ecru, Miss.
CLERK,	.	V. B. TUCKER,	Ecru, Miss.

The Next Annual Session.

The next annual session of this Association will be held with the Duncan Creek Baptist Church, at Thaxton, Mississippi, about twelve miles West of Pontotoc, commencing on Tuesday before the third Sunday in September, 1901, at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

Executive Committee.

W. R. SPENCER, B. J. CALDWELL, J. B. GAULDING, J. T. SWAIN, V. B. TUCKER.

Standing Committees.

MISSIONS.—J. W. BOATWRIGHT, J. M. SHADRACH.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.—Jeff D. Potter and T. H. Spencer.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—C. C. Jordan and Wm. Hancock.

PROHIBITION.—J. J. Gibson and J. W. Powell.

WOMAN'S WORK.—L. R. Kenneday and H. Marshall.

STATE OF RELIGION.—K. C. Morgan and A. N. Singleton.

DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS.—J. B. Gaulding and Joel B. Smith.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.—O. B. Souter and J. H. Collins.

Ministerial Register.

W. L. Brown.....Holder	W. H. Miller....Toccopola
N. J. Weaver.....Ingomar	W. M. Gadd.....Avanelle
T. R. Black.....Ecru	T. H. Smith...New Albany
W. J. Ball.....Wallerville	J. B. Jones.....Walton
E. M. Floyd.....Myrtle	E. M. Forshee....Randolph
J. D. Anderson. Blue Mount'n	W. M. Wilson....Randolph
C. W. Smith.....Darden	F. M. Ferrell...Mud Creek
I. M. Gray.....Darden	W. A. Mayo . .Mud Creek
W. N. Spain.....Darden	W. A. Rogers...Mud Creek
E. E. Thornton. New Albany	J. C. Reynolds..Mud Creek
J. P. Rogers. .Cornersville	W. L. Pulley...Mud Creek
J. H. Morgan. Cornersville	J. J. Gibson.....Tula
Thomas Gorley.....	W. L. Mullens.....Dallas
.....Lafayette Spring	A. J. Jones.....Galloway

Licentiates.

M. I. Quick.....Holder	S. R. Brown.....
W. L. Goolsby.....Holder	H. H. Ball.....Bethlehem
J. M. Couch...New Albany	E. C. Conlee.....Thaxton

MINUTES.

THE Sixty-first Annual Session of the Chickasaw Baptist Association met with the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church on September 11, 1900. Devotional exercises conducted by W. L. Souter. Scripture lesson, Psalm 23. Prayers by A. F. Golding and Thomas Gorley.

Introductory Sermon by the appointee, Rev. J. D. Anderson. Scripture lesson, 1 Corinthians, 15th chapter. Prayer by E. E. Thornton. Text, 1 Corinthians, 15th chapter, verse 58. The sermon was a strong Bible sermon. At the close of sermon prayer was offered by C. W. Smith. Association adjourned until 2 o'clock for refreshments.

First Day—Afternoon Session.

Called together by song. Prayer by the Moderator C. W. Smith. The body was now declared ready for permanent organization.

E. E. Thornton and Charles Lovejoy were appointed as reading clerks. Letters were called for and read from the churches.

The following is a list of the churches represented and the Messengers of same:

New Albany—C. S. Cullens, S. R. Knox, J. T. Swain, E. E. Thornton and H. Marshall.

Bay Springs—W. L. Brown, R. T. Holcomb, R. D. Roberts and J. M. Hudson.

Macedonia—C. W. Smith, W. D. Greer, C. C. Jordan and I. M. Gray.

Fredonia—T. R. Black, C. A. McGraw, Neely Huskison and B. T. Smith.

Temperance Hill—J. M. Shadrach, J. W. Boatwright, J. W. Bushling and J. E. Boatwright.

Turn Pike—C. C. Conlee, W. L. Pulley, Top Marrett and W. E. Clay.

Amaziah—L. M. Baker, Joseph Garrison, S. M. Fields and A. J. Boatner.

Tula—J. J Gibson, J. D. Hughes, J. W. Powell and D. Coffman.

Pleasant Dale—J. M. Willard, G. W. Duncan, W. H. Waldrop and J. J. Hanson.

Valley—J. C. Russell, J. W. Tate, W. H. Russell and J. T. Russell.

Spring Hill—W. A. Mayo, J. H. Collins, O. B. Souter and Ernest Long.

Philadelphia—J. B. Jones, J. W. Adams, G. F. Bonds and J. R. Kilgore.

Friendship—F. M. Bigham, J. R. Hill, W. A. Gooch, D. P. Shettles and W. L. Souter.

Midway—Henry Starnes, W. T. Buse, A. G. Vaughn and N. W. Herring.

Bethel, L. C.—J. T. Singleton, A. V. Davis, F. W. Nabors and A. R. Wilson.

Piney Grove—Bill Tuten, J. H. Coleman, W. S. McGregor and J. W. Tuten.

Shiloh—A. M. Hale, J. A. Corner, J. M. Sparks and Thomas Gorley.

Spring Creek—H. D. Blaycock, W. H. Mitchell, J. P. Bonds, W. R. Burris and J. T. Brown.

Oak Grove—Mon. Whittington, G. E. Manning, J. T. Hale and W. M. Hargrove.

Myrtle—A. R. Collins, J. E. Coltharp, J. T. Reynolds and M. B. Robbins.

Mt. Pleasant—J. C. Bailey, E. E. Sloan, J. F. Coleman and F. W. Cullens.

Cherry Creek—V. B. Tucker, W. R. Spencer, J. F. Pitts and N. J. Weaver.

Toccopola—Eugene Gathright, W. A. Dye, J. T. Short and C. C. Johnson.

New Hope—Ira D. Seale, W. H. Pitts, W. H. Smith and W. H. Seale.

Salem—A. J. Blackard, H. H. Kirk, J. H. Morgan, J. J. Hewitt.

Shady Grove—J. P. Sappington, Jas. Robbins, T. R. Warren and W. P. Browning.

Pleasant Hill—W. T. Snipes, W. J. Robbins, Luther Jordan and T. M. Young.

Mt. Pisgah—A. J. Jones, S. B. Reynolds, A. D. Hale and W. M. Hancock.

Liberty—B. J. Caldwell, M. L. Henry, S. J. Fitzgerald, W. J. Ball and W. M. Mounce.

Duncan Creek—J. A. Wells, Thomas Hodges, J. M. Pritchard and J. M. Ray.

Bethel, U. C.—A. J. Williams, Wm. Powell and J. S. Dyson.

Cypress Cre k—A. H. Hale, M. C. Butler, E. H. Harris and J. F. Goolsby.

The Messengers were ordered to prepare their ballots for Moderator, Treasurer and Clerk.

J. H. Morgan and I. M. Gray were appointed as tellers of the election, who took the vote and reported a unanimous vote for Rev. C.W. Smith, Moderator; B. O. Garner, Treasurer; and V. B. Tucker, Clerk.

The following resolution was offered by E. E. Thornton, and on motion was adopted:

Resolved, That we meet at 9 a.m., adjourn at 12 m., meet at 1:30 p.m., adjourn at 4:00 p.m., during this session.

The Moderator appointed as Devotional Committee, A. V. Davis, B. J. Caldwell, with the deacon of Mt. Pleasant church.

Committee on Order of Business: J. W. Boatwright, W. L. Souter and H. D. Blaylock.

On motion of W. R. Spencer, the time from 9:30 o'clock in the morning until 12 m. of the second day, be given to the discussion of the "New Century Movement."

The Devotional Committee reported that Thomas Gorley would conduct the devotional exercises at 8:30 o'clock in the morning.

The Moderator called for correspondents and gave the hand of Welcome to the following:

T. J. Bailey, editor of *The Baptist;* Chas. Lovejoy, of the *Southern Baptist;* G. W. Patton, of the Aberdeen Association, T. A. J. Beasley, A. F. Golding and M. M. Smith, of the West Judson; J. P. Horton, of the Tippah, and H. L. Finley from the East Fork Association of Texas, who is also colporteur for the northern part of this State.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the Association was adjourned until 8:30 o'clock on to-morrow. Prayer by T. J. Bailey. Dismissed by the Moderator.

Second Day—Morning Session.

Devotional services led by Thomas Gorley, participated in by W. L. Souter and J. J. Gibson.

Association called to order by the Moderator.

Minutes of first day read and approved.

The committee on Order of Business made the following report:

1. Call for Petitionary Letters.
2. Call for Correspondents.
3. Report on the New Century Movement.
4. Report on Missions.
5. Report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education.
6. Report on Executive Committee.
7. Report on Sunday Schools.
8. Report on Prohibition.
9. Report on Woman's Work.
10. Report on State of Religion.
11. Report on Documents and Publications.
12. Finance and Treasurer's Report.
13. Report of Committee on Nominations.
14. Report on Mississippi Baptist Orphanage.
15. Appoint Correspondents.
16. Standing Commlttee.
17. General Business.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. Boatwright,
W. L. Souter,
H. D. Blaylock.

On motion the report was adopted.

The order of business was taken up at once. The Moderator again called for correspondents and gave the hand of welcome to W. D. Lancaster, of the Tippah Association; W. T. Lowrey, of Mississippi College, and A. V. Rowe, our Secretary of the State Board. The Moderator appointed as Committee on Finance: J. W. Boatwright, J. T. Short and W. L. Souter.

The time having arrived for the "New Century Movement," the following program was taken up. A paper read by S. R. Knox, "The Influence of Baptist Principles on Other Denominations." Discussed by A. V. Rowe.

The following subject was discussed by J. D. Anderson, "Fidelity to Baptist Principles."

"An Era in Baptist Education," discussed by W. T. Lowrey.

W. M. Gadd read a paper on "The Supreme Need of the Diffusion of the Mission Spirit Among Baptists." Spoken to by A. V. Rowe.

The Devotional Committee reported that Chas. Lovejoy would preach at the school house at once, it now being 11 o'clock. On motion of E. E. Thornton 1:30 o'clock p.m. was made the special hour to hear the report on Document and Publications.

The Moderator again called for Correspondents and gave the hand of welcome to L. L. Cullens of the Tippah, L. R. Burress of the Tishimingo, and Frank Souter of the Aberdeen Associations. Prayer by J. P. Horton. Dismissed by J. T. Bailey.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Called together by song. Prayer by J. F. McKibbon.

The Moderator gave the hand of welcome to J. F. McKibbon and A. A. Bruner, of the Calhoun Association and G. E. Darling of the West Judson.

Devotional committee reported that Frank Souter would conduct the devotional exercises to-morrow morning at 8:30 o'clock.

The Report on Documents and Publications was called for, and the following was read by G. F. Bonds, to-wit:

Your Committee on Documents and Publications respectfully submit the following:

We recommend that the Bible be earnestly and prayerfully read in our homes for our own edification, as well as to enable us to give a reason to every man for the hope that is in us. We especially recommend that our members subscribe for *The Baptist*, published at Jackson, Mississippi. and further recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, the *Home Field* and the Southern Baptist Sunday School series as good literature to be taken and read in our families.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. BONDS,
J. W. ADAMS.

On motion of E. E. Thornton the report was adopted after being discussed by J. T. Bailey, Frank Souter, W. T. Lowrey, Charles Lovejoy, E. E. Thornton, A. V. Rowe and L. R. Burress.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the Reports on Missions and on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education were called for and read in order to suit the convenience of W. T. Lowrey and A. V. Rowe.

Report on Missions.

During last year the Board employed seventy-five men whose works have been satisfactory to the Board. But still there is much to be done. Many towns and villages are without Baptist preaching, many of them along the G. & S. R. R. Towns springing into existence in a few months, and if we fail to plant Baptist doctrine in these places, others will plant other doctrines there. So let us be about the Lord's work at once. No time to wait. We believe with our present management, and with the help of the Christians, backed by the Holy Spirit, we can meet these new demands and bring many souls to Christ. Statistics show that in 1845 when the Baptist Convention was organized there were 1,250,000 who were professors of religion in our territory, and 4,750,000 souls unsaved. Now we have 8,000,000 professors of religion, leaving at least 12,000,000 without God and without hope in the world. Besides these facts and figures we have other fields added to our territory—Cuba. Shall we lack for money to give them the Gospel? With this splendid opportunity before us what will we do with it? Pastors, brethren and sisters, in our Southern Zion, what answer will you give to these facts as they now stand before our Home Mission work. We would not magnify nor minify this work, but place it before you as it stands, asking for your careful consideration. By reference to the Great Commission we find that we are commanded to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, and how shall they preach except they be sent. We are happy to note the past year of our mission work has been prosperous. The Southern Baptist Convention reports more money collected this year than ever before, the amount being $140,102.20. Twelve new missionaries have been sent out this year. Last year we had in foreign fields 845 baptisms, this year 1341, our work being increased 25 per cent. The Lord's increased 50 per cent. In the year 1896 we had a membership in foreign fields 3,801, now we have 6,688, an increase of 2,887 in three years. The Foreign Mission Board calls for $200,000

this year, and Mississippi is expected to give her proportional part. Last year we gave $7,635.61. Some uninformed persons argue against foreign missions on the ground that it requires so much of this money to meet the necessary expense of the work. To this class we would say that it takes only 13 cents on the dollar, giving 87 cents of every dollar to the missionaries.

Statistics of all denominations to-day show 13,607 male and female missionaries. Native helpers 73,615, stations 5,233, sub-stations 25,586. Organized churches, 10,993; communicants 1,289,298. Additions last year, 83,895; members of Sunday Schools. 764,684. Number of languages in which the Bible is being translated in whole or part, 421. Out of the above the S. B. C. Foreign Mission work is: Churches, 113; male missionaries, 41; female, 53; native helpers, 29; unorganized native helpers, 104; membership, 6,537. These figures should stimulate us to a greater effort in this work, and feeling the responsibility resting upon us, we recommend that our ministers preach more missionary sermons, and ask that special prayers be made for our native Christians in China.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. COLLINS,
J. E. COLTHARP.

Report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education.

We desire to say that never since the war have the Trustees felt more hopeful as to the college than they feel now. The last session closed gloriously. There was unusual enthusiasm on the part of the student body, and it seems that an unusual proportion of the students went away expecting to return again next session. Moreover, in spite of the decidedly short attendance for the two previous sessions, and in spite of the fact that yellow fever appeared in Jackson ten days before the opening of the session, and continued there for twelve weeks, yet 231 students were enrolled, a net gain of 87 over the last session. With twenty more students they could have paid all salaries in full, all incidental expenses, and the $400 spent in improvements. The prospects for the next session seem bright. Let us do what we can to make the next session the best in the history of the college. We recommend that every church in the Chickasaw Association accept the suggestion of the

Mississippi Baptist State Convention, and take a collection for Mississippi College every year.

Remember, brethren and friends, this work of Ministerial Education is our work. They do not, as some seem to think, make preachers there, nor do they call them into the ministry, but they receive those whom Christ has called and whom his churches endorse. They try to help them get an education and thereby be better prepared for their work. Edcuation is a help to every honorable calling, especially to the gospel ministry.

There are two reasons why Baptists, especially, should hasten the work of Ministerial Education:

1. Because many of our members are uneducated. We go to the poor as Christ did and bring them into our churches. So also, many of those among us who are called to the ministry are uneducated. As it was in the days of Paul, so it is now. "Not many mighty, not many noble are called."—1 Corinthians 1:26.

2. We need an educated ministry because of our great responsibilities. Baptists stand to-day the clearest and purest lights of this world. Therefore, we want an open Bible with all the lights upon it, that education can give, and we want an educated ministry. Our ministers are our leaders. They feed the flocks, guide the churches, and move the multitudes. Then let us educate them and do all we possibly can to aid them in preparing for their work, and in educating our ministry we aid every good enterprise here and elsewhere, and we pray God's blessings on the College and her Managers, and we recommend that each church of this Association, take at least one collection during the year for Ministerial Education.

Respectfully submitted,

V. B. TUCKER,

J. W. BOATWRIGHT.

Discussed by A. V. Rowe, Carl Bratton, E. E. Thornton, S. R. Knox, W. T. Lowrey, C. W. Smith.

A collection of $9.00 was taken and given to old Bro. W. D. Lancaster of the Tippah Association as a free-will offering.

Prayer by H. L. Finley. Dismissed by W. T. Lowrey.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional services conducted by Frank Souter. Minutes of second day read and adopted.

A resolution was offered by J. W. Boatwright, and was adopted, limiting all speakers to-day to ten minutes.

The question was called for on the adoption of the reports on Missions and Mississippi College and Ministerial Education, as read on yesterday, and on motion of J. W. Boatwright the reports were adopted.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Nominations, J. W. Boatwright, J. T. Garrison and J. T. Short.

Report of the Executive Committee.

The following report was read by W. R. Spencer. Your Executive Committee makes the following report:

We have not done anything, only met with the balance of the Committee on the re-union, and assisted in making a report which will be made by the Chairman of that Committee. We recommend the re-appointment of Elder H. L. Finley as missionary and colporteur in North Mississippi.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. SPENCER,

Chairman of Com.

Discussed by W. R. Spencer, H. L. Finley, J. J. Gibson, J. H. Morgan, and on motion of J. J. Gibson the report was adopted.

On motion of V. B. Tucker the books on hand belonging to this Association were donated to H. L. Finley, to be disposed of as he sees proper.

The following Brethren were appointed as Committee on the New Century Movement in this Association, to-wit: W. R. Spencer, J. R. Hill, V. B. Tucker, E. E. Thornton and O. B. Souter.

Report on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report: As to the right of the work, it seems that in theory we are all agreed, but as to practice where are we? Last year there were fifteen churches in this Association that had Sunday Schools, with 77 officers and 689 scholars, while we

number as an Association 38 churches, with a membership of 3,000. It is one thing to say that we are in favor of Sunday Schools, and quite another to practice what we say.

We notice from the minutes of the State Convention that about the same ratio exists over the State that does in our Association. Your Committee notices that this year we have in this Association twelve churches that have Sunday Schools. Officers, 65; scholars, 700. We recommend that they use the literature of the S. B. Convention. After having read many good things in favor of this work, and having listened to many fine speeches on this subject, and most all agree that the work is right. We feel lost to know why the work is not more prosperous than it is. We notice there are 1,552 churches in the State, only 546 of these churches have reported Sunday Schools, and though the church membership runs up over 1,000,000. The enrollment in the Sunday Schools is only 24,271. There is something wrong somewhere—five times as many children ought to have their names on the roll, not to mention adults who should attend. In conclusion, I will offer a suggestion as to a good method of keeping up a good interest in the Sunday Schools, and that is this: That the Superintendent have the girls to write on some good subject about twice a month, and the boys to write or make speeches. I have tried this, and find it to be a success. May God help us all to become more interested in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. GARRISON,
E. S. GRAY.

Discussed by E. E. Thornton, W. M. Gadd, O. B. Souter, W. D. Lancaster, L. R. Burress, H. L. Finley, C. W. Smith, C. C. Jordan, J. R. West, J. D. Potter, Frank Souter, I. M. Gray, J. H. Morgan, T. A. J. Beasley, J. H. Collins, J. J. Gibson, Thomas Gorley, and on motion of H. D. Blaylock, the report was adopted.

On motion of C. C. Jordan the programme for the Chickasaw Baptist Sunday School Institute for the year 1901 was ordered to be printed in this minute.

Report on Prohibition.

Report on Prohibition, as read by O. B. Souter: Your committee on prohibition respectfully submit the following: Satan has no more potent agency in all this land of ours

than this liquor traffic. It is to science, civilization and christianity their greatest hindrance. Under God, its removal must depend upon the forming a wholesome sentiment, the power of conscience enlightened by the Word of God, and upon the strong arm of the civil law, wisely enacted and faithfully enforced. As this temperance reformation is God's work we should go to the fountain of all wisdom for direction, and invoke His blessings upon all efforts put forth to exterminate the liquor traffic, that the young man may be saved from the snares of the tempter and the bonds broken that now hold so many as willing captives in the slavery of strong drink. In view of the fact that all drunkards come from the ranks of moderate dram-drinkers, the influence that even a moderate use of it may have upon others, and especially the young. We earnestly urge total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors as a beverage, believing it to be contrary to the principles of Christianity to encourage the traffic in any way. One may say we are powerless because we have no power to enact laws governing our country, but we say we have all the power if we will only use the power have. God says ask and it shall be given, and He says whatsoever ye ask in my name I will do it. He also says that if any two of you agree as touching any one thing it shall be granted, then we know if every professed Christian would live up to the high standard that it is his privilege to do, we could prohibit it, for we are under the great Captain who never makes a mistake, who has said I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. If God be for us who can be against us.

Discussed by H. L. Finley, W. L Souter, E. E. Thornton, E. E. Sloan, J. J. Gibson, H. D. Blaylock, Frank Souter, J. H. Collins, L. R. Kenneday, L. R. Burress, C W. Smith, and on motion of H. D. Blaylock the report was adopted.

The Moderator and Rev. T. A. J. Beasley took a public collection for the monument fund for the lamented Rev. Isaac Smith.

Amount on hand for this purpose	$53 05
Amount of collections to-day	16 55
Total amount to date	$69 60

Dismissed by W. M. Gadd for refreshments.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by song, and then prayer by Frank Souter.

The following report was read by W. J. Robbins on "Woman's Work."

Woman's work dates from the days of Jesus. There were many women at work when Jesus was here. The same condition existed in the days of Paul. The women of our State are at work to-day.

The women of our State contributed for the last year the following amounts:

Home Missions	$1,975 71
State Missions	325 98
Foreign Missions	675 20
Orphanage	452 69
Ministerial Education	135 00
Sustenation	31 52
Home Uses	7,366 25
Total	$10,962 35

There are only two societies reported in our Association, but in every church they are doing what they can for their God. If these missionary societies accomplish nothing more than to make Christians mean more to us in the home churches, they will be worth every cent they cost. May God bless and direct the women is our prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ROBBINS,
J. W. OAKES.

Discussed by W. J. Robbins and H. L. Finley.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted.

On motion of J. J. Gibson the Report on Prohibition was ordered to be sent to the *Baptist* for publication, by the Clerk.

Report on State of Religion.

The following report was read by J. M. Pritchard on State of Religion:

On such information as has been received your Committee begs leave to submit the following:

Although there has been 204 baptisms this year, an increase of 68 over last year, and while the spiritual condi-

tions of some of the churches is about up to the required standard, and many others greatly revived. Still others, we are sorry to report, are somewhat deficient in religious zeal. This may be due to many causes, but principally we think to giving heed to "every wind of doctrine," especially the modern holiness. Some of our church members on the Western and Southern borders of our territory, claim to have the second blessing, while many others profess a belief in it, thus causing a want of unity among our membership. May God help us to see the right, endure sound doctrines, and become more zealous in His cause.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. PRITCHARD,
W. B. DICKSON,
Committee.

Discussed by G. W. Potter, W. D. Lancaster, W. L. Pulley, J. W. Boatwright, H. L. Finley, J. H. Collins and J. T. Short, and on motion of E. E. Thornton the report was adopted.

The devotional committee reported that G. E. Darling would preach at 2 o'clock at the school building.

Treasurer's Report.

1899.		AMOUNTS RECEIVED.	DR.
Sept.	14.	Amount to balance per last report	$ 2 77
Oct.	9.	N. J. Weaver, sustentation fund	1 00
"	9.	V. B. Tucker Pledge at Aberdeen for building college at Clinton	5 00
"	20.	L. M. S. Cherry Creek, F. M	5 10
Dec.	7.	Cherry Creek Church Bap. Orphanage	12 18
1900.			
Jan.	23.	Liberty Church, F. M	6 20
Jan.	29.	Cherry Creek Church, F. M	35 62
		" " L. M. S., F. M	5 00
		" " " Home Missions	1 80
		" " Church " "	6 00
Mch.	5.	Mt. Pleasant—Foreign Missions	19 85
	22.	" " Home Missions	4 45
April	7.	Bro. J. N. Weaver, Foreign Missions	50
	7.	" J. N. Weaver, Cuban Missions	50
	7.	Cherry Creek L. M. S. F. M	4 00
"	25.	Fredonia Gen. Mission	2 25
"	25.	T. R. Black Baptist Orphanage	1 00

May	7.	Cherry Creek Church, Home Missions	16 45
"	7.	" " L. M. S.	
June	23.	Shiloh Church, balance Pledge Missions	1 05
"	28.	Cherry Creek State Missions	3 00
	29.	" " L. M. S. State Missions	15 00
Sept.	12.	Shady Grove Foreign Missions	1 90
"	12.	Bay Springs State Missions	4 60
"	12.	Spring Creek Home Missions	3 20
"	12.	Spring Creek General Missions	25
"	12.	Mt. Pisgah General Missions	7 45
"	12.	Bethel, L. C., Foreign Missions	3 75
"	12.	Cypress Creek General Missions	1 67
June	4.	Cypress Creek Foreign Missions, by N. S. Hubbard	6 45
"	4.	Midway Church, Gen. Missions	3 93
		Pleasant Hill Foreign Missions	3 55
		" " Home Missions	1 75
		Oak Grove General Missions	3 55
Mch.	22.	Bethel Church, L. C., Home Missions	8 20
Mch.	19.	" " Foreign Missions	2 00
February		Macedonia paid Bro. Finley, State Miss.	2 00
		Mt. Pisgah " " " " "	3 10
		Shiloh " " " " "	2 10
		Philadelphia " " " " "	7 00
		Bethel, U. C. " " " "	6 40
		New Hope " " " "	2 55
		Liberty " " " "	1 40
		Spring Hill " " " "	2 00
		Union paid Bro. Finley Free Cir. Bible.	5 00
		Cypress Creek " " " "	1 00
		New Hope " " " "	1 60
		Pleasant Hill " " " "	2 00
		Spring Creek " " " "	1 30
		Fredonia " " " "	1 25
		Midway " " " "	1 31
			1 00
			$231 78

AMOUNTS PAID OUT.

December	7.	Am't sent A. V. Rowe, check 285	$ 11 10
"	7.	" " L. S. Foster, check 286	12 18
1900.			
January	30.	Am't sent A. V. Rowe, check 319	54 62
April	18.	Check sent A. V. Rowe, No. 364	29 30

April 25.	" " "	" No. 365	3 25
May 28.	" " "	" No. 387	17 50
June 28.	" " "	" No. 398	18 00
Sept. 12.	Am't paid A. V. Rowe		46 12
March 19.	Am't sent Willingham, J. S. Hubbard.		2 00
" 22.	Am't sent F. H. Kerfoot by Willingham		2 00
June 4.	Am't sent Willingham J. S. Hubbard.		3 93
" 12.	Am't used by H. L. Finley		9 46
" 12.	Am't used by H. L. Finley		29 55
Sept. 13.	" " by B. O. Garner for postage		28
" 13.	" " Association funds on hand		2 49
			$231 78

Respectfully submitted. B. O. GARNER, Treas.

Your committee after thorough examination of the Treasurer's books find them correct.

J. W. BOATWRIGHT,
J. T. SHORT, } Committee.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the report of the Treasurer was adopted.

On motion of E. E. Thornton the programme arranged by the Committee for the Re-Union of the Association was adopted.

Report on Finance.

The following report on finance was read by J. W. Boatwright, of minute funds:

Turnpike	$ 75	Tula	$ 80
Bethel, U. C	75	Piney Grove	70
Bethel, L. C	1 10	Spring Hill	50
Cypress Creek	90	Temperance Hill	60
Pleasant Dale	55	Toccopola	60
Valley	60	Philadelphia	1 00
Friendship	65	Shady Grove	20
Macedonia	1 30	Pleasant Hill	1 45
Shiloh	1 40	Duncan Creek	1 30
Midway	95	Cherry Creek	2 70
Mt. Pisgah	1 35	New Albany	2 25
Salem	65	Mt. Pleasant	1 55
Oak Grove	90	New Hope	70
Amaziah	90	Spring Creek	30
Bay Springs	55	Liberty	1 15
Myrtle	90	Fredonia	60

Total amount, $30.60. Amount of public collection, $1.70. Amount of public collection at Re-union, $2.65.

Total amount of minute fund, $34.95. We recommend that the Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and he be allowed $7.50 for his services.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. BOATWRIGHT,
J. T. SHORT.

On motion of I. M. Gray the report was adopted.

Report on Nominations.

Your Committee on Nominations report as follows:

Place of next meeting, Duncan Creek; time, Tuesday after second Sunday in September, 1901. To preach introductory sermon, E. E. Thornton; Alternate, J. J. Gibson. Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, J. S. Hubbard, alternate, J. W. Boatwright.

Executive Committee.

W. R. Spencer, B. J. Caldwell, J. T. Swain, J. B. Gaulding and V. B. Tucker.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. BOATWRIGHT,
J. T. SHORT,
J. T. GARRISON,
Committee.

On motion of H. D. Blaylock the report was adopted.

Report on Orphnage.

The following report on the Orphanage was read by S. R. Knox:

On May 12th, 1897, the Orphanage was opened in a rented house in Jackson. The average number of children during the past year has been thirty-two. Christian efforts have been blessed and the Orphanage property now consists of a printing and business office, a barn, good fences, two horses, cows, a wagon, buggy, harness, plows, hoes, a Superintendent's home, two neat cottages with six rooms each, painted and furnished completely and insured for one year longer, together with 112 acres of land. Total value, $14,000. The water facilities are wholly insufficient and your committee has noted with pleasure the effort being made to supply this need.

The benefits of this Orphanage are designed especially

for destitute orphan children of white parentage from all parts of this State, and this too, regardless of the religious belief of their parents. It is the plan of the Trustees to make the institution an industrial school as well as an Orphanage, that the orphans may be trained to such work as may be within their capacity, thus developing both mind and body. Your committee recommend the building of a dormitory commensurate with the need of the institution, and to this end your Committee further recommend that the churches composing this Association, make special contributions to be used in the erection of such building. Last, your Committee recommends the "Gem" as the organ of the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. KNOX,
W M. GADD.

Discussed by S. R. Knox, Frank Souter, E. E. Thornton, L. R. Kenneday.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright, the report was adopted.

On motion of J. J. Gibson the Association agreed to pay the delegate's expenses to the next Southern Baptist Convention, and the churches were requested to send up a contribution to the Treasurer, B. O. Garner, for this purpose, before the next convention meets.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright all members of this Association who meet with the different bodies with which we usually correspond, knowing themselves to be in good standing with their churches, may be considered as messengers to these bodies.

The following resolution was offered by E. E. Thornton:

Resolved, That we, as messengers from the churches composing this Association, assembled in counsel in the Sixty-first Session, do recommend to the churches, that, in our support of the objects fostered by the Missssippi Baptist Convention, we divide the Associational year as follows: September, October, November, to Foreign Missions; December, to Mississippi College and Ministerial Education; January, February and March, to Home Missions; April, May and June, to State Missions. The above resolution was adopted, with a request that E. E. Thornton, of New Albany, correspond with each church, and urge that collections be taken at the time for the objects mentioned.

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be and are hereby extended to Mt. Pleasant church and surronnding community, for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this session of this body. On motion of E. E. Thornton it was adopted.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the Association was adjourned, to meet with Duncan Creek church, on Tuesday before the third Sunday in September, 1901, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., and spend a half hour in devotional exercises before preaching.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk. C. W. SMITH, Moderator.

A general farewell hand-shaking was engaged in, after which the body was dismissed by W. L. Souter.

Programme of the S. S. Institute.

Programme for the Chickasaw Baptist Sunday School Institute for the year 1901 to be held with Cherry Creek church, commencing on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in June at 10 o'clock a.m.

1. The objects to be attained by Sunday Schools, Miss Mary Babb and S. R. Knox.
2. Is the Sunday School a Church or a Philanthropic Work? E. E. Thornton and J. T. Swain.
3. The Study of the Scriptures. J. D. Potter and J. H. Mitchell.
4. Fidelity of Baptists to the Doctrines of the New Testament. T. A. J. Beasley and V. B. Tucker.
5. What Should be Taught in a Sunday School and Who Should Teach It? W. R. Spencer and W. M. Gadd.
6. The Duty of Parents to the Sunday School. C. W. Smith and John B. Gaulding.
7. The Best Methods of Bringing Sunday School Students to Christ. Miss Mary Pitts and W. L. Souter.
8. Addresses for Sunday Morning. L. R. Kennedy, J. J. Gibson.

Sermon on Saturday at 11 o'clock a.m., E. E. Thornton.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. SPENCER,
J. D. POTTER,
MISS MARY BABB,
V. B. TUCKER.

This Programme was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Associational minutes.

Churches.	Pastors.	Postoffice.	Clerks.	Postoffice.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Membership.	Days of Meeting.	Seating Capacity.
Amaziah	I. M. Gray	Darden	J. F. Boatner	Hickory Flat	5	2		20	1	2	104	2nd	800
Bethel, U. C.	A. J. Jones	Gallway	W. G. Hearn	Busby		2	1		7	1	119	2nd	400
Bethel, L. C.	J. S. Hubbard	Sarepta	A. N. Singleton	Denmark	8	6	1	5	3		97	2nd	400
Bay Springs	T. H. Winter	Oxford	R. D. Roberts	Holder	3	12			6	1	84	3rd	
Cypress Creek	J. S. Hubbard	Sarepta	T. W. Avent	Caswell	5	3	1	1			50		
Cherry Creek	T. A. J. Beasley	Poplar Springs	D. E. Pitts	Cherry Creek	25	5		3			178	4th	500
Duncan Creek	W. A. Mayo	Mud Creek	J. M. Pritchard	Thaxton		3		1		1	109	2nd	400
Friendship	J. H. Jenkins	Tupelo	W. A. Gooch	Ecru				2		3	99	4th	400
Fredonia	J. A. Landers	Blue Springs	Neely Huskinson	Ingomar	18	5	3	2	3	1	125	4th	
Liberty	J. A. Landers	Blue Springs	W. M. Mounce	Wallerville	3			2			90	2nd	250
Myrtle	J. D. Anderson	Blue Mountain	A. R. Collins	Myrtle		5		2			67	4th	500
Mt. Pleasant	T. A. J. Beasley	Poplar Springs	H. C. Sloan	Wallerville	21	5		5	3		185	1st	400
Macedonia	C. W. Smith	Darden	J. T. Garrison	Darden	18	6	3	3	1	1	138	2nd	
Midway	W. L. Brown	Holder	A. G. Vaughn	Holder	2	4		3			59	1st	
Mt. Pisgah	C. W. Smith	Darden	R. F. Maxey	Gallway		1		3	1	1	86	2nd	
New Albany	E. E. Thornton	New Albany	J. H. Mitchell	New Albany	36	26		10		2	175	Every Sun.	600
New Hope	F. M. Ferrell	Mud Creek	W. H. Seals	Brame	6	3		1			51	3rd	
Oak Grove	C. W. Smith	Darden	J. T. Hale	Avanelle	5	1	1	4		4	94	3rd	400
Pleasant Dale	A. J. Jones	Gallway	B. F. Duncan	Busby	6					1	80	3rd	300
Philadelphia	C. W. Smith	Darden	H. F. Baker	Walton		7			2		79	3rd	500
Pleasant Hill	C. W. Smith	Darden	J. W. Oaks	New Albany	6	9	4	3		3	137	4th	400
Piney Grove	F. M. Ferrell	Mud Creek	W. S. McGregor	Toccopola	2	2		3			85	1st	350
Spring Hill	F. M. Ferrell	Mud Creek	O. B. Souter	Mud Creek	2	6		9	2	2	138	3rd	300
Spring Creek	J. J. Gibson	Tula	E. A. Wagner	Waterford	9	1		2		1	113	3rd	300
Shady Grove	A. J. Jones	Gallway	J. P. Sappington	Sage	16	3		1		2	110	1st	400
Salem	J. P. Rogers	Cornersville	J. J. Hewett	Cornersville	1			8			67	2nd	300
Shiloh	I. M. Gray	Darden	D. H. Crowson	Lafayette Springs	2		2	2	3	1	104	1st	500
Toccopola	W. I. Hargis	Oxford	Wm. Hodges	Toccopola				3	1		70	4th	500
Turnpike	S. W. Price	Leighton	W. L. Pully	Mud Creek	7	11				2	61	2nd	500
Temperance Hill	J. P. Horton	Ashland	J. W. Boatwright	Waits	1	1		1			44	3rd	300
Tula	W. I. Hargis	Oxford	E. D. Langley	Tula		8		8		2	88	3rd	250
Valley	I. M. Gray	Darden	W. D. Tate	New Albany							34	3rd	
				Total	205	137	16	108	33	31	3,130		

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expense.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Miss. College and Min. Education.	Miss. Baptist Orphanage.	When Organized.	Value of Church Property.	Supt. of S. S. School.	Postoffice of Supt.	Literature used.	No. of Pupils.	No. of Officers and Teachers
Amaziah	$ 35 00	$	$		$		$		$500 00					
Bethel, U. C.	40 00	4 55						1848	250 00					
Bethel, L. C.	65 00		3 65	2 00				1841	200 00					
Bay Springs	36 00													
Cypress Creek	50 00				10 30									
Cherry Creek	154 50	30 75	36 12	22 95	14 20	5 00	12 18	1843	1800 00	V. B. Tucker	Ecru	S. B. C. Lit.	120	7
Duncan Creek	40 00							1872	350 00					
Friendship	43 50							1871	400 00	W. A. Gooch	Ecru.	S. B. C. Lit.	40	4
Fredonia	53 00			2 50		10 00				T. R. Black	Ecru.	S. B. C. Lit.	35	5
Liberty	46 75	10 25	6 20	4 25	2 00			1841		S. J. Fitzgerald	Wallerville	S. B. C. Lit.	76	9
Myrtle	100 00	11 00	8 37	8 37		2 75		1886	800 00	J. E. Coltharp	Myrtle	S. B. C. Lit.	40	6
Mt. Pleasant	124 00	34 85	20 00	7 05	7 05		11 45		500 00	W. D. Wilkins	Wallerville	S. B. C. Lit.	45	
Macedonia		19 05			5 00				300 00					
Midway	30 00	7 95	1 00	1 55	1 00									
Mt. Pisgah			6 00						300 00					
New Albany	600 00	407 06	37 10		39 15	5 00			5000 00	S. R. Knox	New Albany	A. B. S. Lit.	130	8
New Hope								1878	500 00					
Oak Grove	100 00	6 00	2 73	2 73	2 73									
Pleasant Dale	40 00							1840	600 00	J. W. Adams	Walton	S. B. C. Lit.	75	6
Philadelphia	102 55		2 05	2 05	2 05			1859	600 00	J. W. Oaks	New Albany	S. B. C. Lit.	20	4
Pleasant Hill	100 00	53 40	1 75	3 35			11 25	1853	355 00					
Piney Grove	24 85	8 00						1860	250 00	O. B. Souter	Mud Creek	S. B. C. Lit.	25	5
Spring Hill	45 00	25 00					1 50	1848	300 00					
Spring Creek	75 00		3 75	25	3 70									
Shady Grove	38 50		4 60					1866	350 00					
Salem	33 15							1852	500 00					
Shiloh	50 00							1869	650 00	J. T. Short	Toccopola		30	5
Toccopola	100 00		8 00						500 00	Geo. Ard	Mud Creek	Bible.	40	6
Turnpike	30 00					6 00		1880	400 00					
Temperance Hill	56 00	4 15	1 10	1 10	1 20			1878	300 00					
Tula	77 00							1890						
Valley														

MINUTES OF THE

REUNION and MEMORIAL MEETING

OF THE

CHICKASAW BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH,

SEPTEMBER 14, 1900.

This meeting was called together by singing the old song, "Amazing Grace," led by Prof. Bell. Scripture lesson read by I. M. Gray, the 23rd division of the Psalms. Prayer by W. E. Berry. Song, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Prayer by A. A. Bruner. Song, "Nearer My God to Thee." Prayer by J. R. West. Song, "Gather Them In."

Talk by C. W. Smith, giving the object of this meeting or re-union, and giving all a hearty welcome. After which, the old song, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross" was sung, and a general handshaking was engaged in by the messengers and visitors present. Prayer by old Bro. Thomas.

The program for the day was called for, and at the suggestion of W. E. Berry the program was changed so as to have preaching at 10 o'clock instead of 11 o'clock, in order that the reports coming in from the different Associations might all come in connection with each other.

L. R. Burress took the stand and read a Scripture lesson, first chapter of Acts. Prayer by C. W. Smith. Text: Luke, 1st chapter, 15th verse. At the close of sermon, prayer by W. E. Berry.

At this time E. E. Thornton asked that he be allowed the privilege of taking a collection for the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, which was done, collections amounting to $19.40, which amount was put into the hands of E. E. Thornton, to be forwarded to Bro. L. S. Foster. Adjourned for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by song. Prayer by W. G. Thompson. On motion of J. W. Boatwright a collection was taken up to have printed in the minutes of the Association, the statistical reports from the different Associations. Amount collected, $2.65.

Report of the Chickasaw Association.

A report of the Chickasaw was read by H. L. Finley, going back to the Fifth Annual Session, which met with Amaziah church in Tippah County, on Saturday before the third Sunday in September, 1843. In this report he gave the dates when different Associations were organized, giving the names of the active ministers all along who have been connected with this old mother Association, also mentioning some of the noble laymen who have been in the bounds of this Association the result of whose works will never be known until it is made known in the world to come. The Moderators since the organization in 1838, and the time of service are as follows: G. B. Waldrop, three years; A. McClain, two years; W. H. Holcomb, three years; Martin Ball, thirteen years; J. S. Martin, one year; A. Ray, one year; L. Ball, six years; James Boswell, seven years; W. W. Finley, six years; J. T. Pitts. six years; Isaac Smith, five years; G. W. Potter, two years; W. L. Souter, three years; C. W. Smith, four years.

Treasurers and time of service: J. Duvall, seven years; Benjamin Collins, four years; J. E. Teague, two years; Elijah Smith, twenty years; N. M. Berry, twenty-three years; W. M. Berry, two years; A. D. Tucker, one year; B. O. Garner, four years.

Clerks and time of service: S. R. Spight, seven years; Benjamin Collins, three years; J E. Teague, three years; W. J. Riddle, six years; H. Y. Riddle, one year; J. M. Martin, two years; J. E. Rodgers, 1 year; Elijah Smith, twelve years; C. A. Short, three years; J. W. Powell, six years; G. W. Potter, one year; W. U. Houghton, three years; F. M. Ferrel, seven years; V. B. Tucker, seven years.

Report of the West Judson Association.

Report from the West Judson read by J. M. Smith, in which he stated that the West Judson was organized in

1884, at a meeting of the Judson at Uclatubba church in Lee County. By mutual agreement the Association was divided, making the Mobile & Ohio Railroad the dividing line. First meeting held the next year with Tupelo church, organized with seventeen churches.

Report from the Calhoun Association.

Report from the Calhoun Association, read by A. A. Bruner. The Calhoun was organized in the town of Pittsboro, September, 1875, with 11 churches. The writer of the report, A. A. Bruner made a very earnest request that the Association assembled in reunion do "come over and help" infuse a missionary spirit among the churches of the Calhoun Association.

Report from the Tippah Association.

In September, 1860, the following churches received letters from the Chickasaw, viz: Beulah, Canaan, Hopewell, Macedonia, Mt. Comfort, Pleasant Hill, Ripley Union, Zion Hill. These churches met by delegation at Ripley on 27th of October, 1860, and organized the Tippah Association. The ministers were Ambrose Roy, Allen Godwin, W. H. Holcombe, W. D. Lancaster, H. C. Spencer, H. G. Spencer, H. F. Lipford and D. D. Roach. Now there are 34 churches and 25 preachers. There have been on the list of ministers the names of 98 preachers. The Moderators have been: Allen Godwin, one year; M. P. Lowrey, twelve years; A. G. Parrott, five years; Ambrose Roy, three years; L. Ball, one year; L. P. Cossitt, five years; W. G. Thompson, two years; W. E. Berry, nine years; Clerks, J. E. Rodgers, nine years; N. S. Watson, one year; Thomas Spight, five years; O. F. Ray, two years; W. O. Rutherford, four years; J. W. Crump, sixteen years. Treasurers, Harry Garrett, four years; J. J. Guyton, fourteen years; C. J. Frederick, one year; J. F. Guyton, one year; W. H. M. Durham, two years; J. S. Gillentine, two years; J. N. McMillen, four years; J. F. Ray, one year; H. H. Ray, four years; J. A. Norris, one year.

Report of Tishomingo Association.

L. R. Burress gave a verbal report of the Tishomingo, stating that it was organized in 1860, and that this Association had sent out into foreign fields three missionaries,

to-wit: E. Z. Simmonds, China, J. G. Chastain and R. W. Hooker to Mexico. Statistics to be given later.

Aberdeen Association.

J. R. West made a verbal report from the Aberdeen Association, and in his report mentioned with a very deep feeling of gratitude the life and work of old Bro. A. L. Stovall, statistics to be given later.

Associations that did not report: The Judson, Coldwater, Oxford, Tombigbee, Yalloboushа.

Names of Association.	Date of organization.	No. of churches in organization.	No. of Baptisms since organized	Total membership now reported.	No. of churches now reported.	Total amount contributed for Missions and Education.	Total Amounts contributed for all purposes.
Chickasaw	1838	18	13,482	3,130	34	$ 47,840 38	$ 51,245 38
West Judson	1884	17	1,975	2,250	23	4,025 50	
Calhoun	1875	23	3,144	2,410	32	2,267 39	2,375 19
Tippah	1860	9	4,707	2,420	34	21,826 22	
Tishamingo	1860	14	6,000	3,070	41		
Aberdeen	1845			1,687	32		
Judson	1852			1,204	19		
Coldwater				2,890	48		
Tombigbee				1,152	26		
Yalabusha				1,789	24		
Oxford				1,558	25		

Total membership in the Tishomingo Association, 1,000.
Total number deaths reported from Chickasaw Association, 1600.

I have written to each of these Associations for statistics, and this is the best report I can get up from the statistics received, and from the minutes of the last State Convention. I wish I could have obtained statistics in full from each Association.

V. B. TUCKER,
Clerk of the Association.

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